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A D U L T E R Y.

**THE VERY
INTERESTING AND REMARKABLE
T R I A L
OF**

MRS. ELIZABETH HANKEY,

(Formerly ELIZABETH THOMSON, daughter of ANDREW
THOMSON, of the City of London, Esq.)

Wife of JOHN HANKEY, Esq. (Son of Sir THOMAS
HANKEY, Knt.)

**FOR
A D U L T E R Y,**

At BRIGHTHELMSTONE, WORTHING, and HORSHAM, in
Suffex; at DORKING, in Surrey; and at OSBURN'S
HOTEL, in the ADELPHI;

**WITH
TURNER STRAUBENZEE, Esq.**

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL of his MAJESTY'S Fifty-second
Regiment of Foot.

In this TRIAL is given *verbatim*, the Articles exhibited by
the injured Husband against his adulterous Wife, (which renders
it both perfect and complete) with the DEPOSITIONS *entire*,
of GEORGE CLEWLOW, Esq. Captain of the Fifty-second Regi-
ment of Foot, Mr. MORLOY, Master of the King's-Head Inn,
at Dorking, Mr. HILLS, Tanner, Mr. JOHN, Cook to the
Regiment, Mr. DEAN, ELIZABETH BRETT, Chamber-maid,
and MARY WINTON, Lady's Maid to Mrs. HANKEY, &c. &c.

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TO THE PUBLIC

IN a publication of this kind, it appeared to the Editor, highly necessary that the *Public* should have before them the *articles* exhibited by the injured husband against his adulterous wife; because they serve as a *clue* to unravel the subsequent depositions given to substantiate the different charges; indeed, without such *articles*, it could not, either with truth or propriety be called a *trial* for *adultery*, as it would in fact be no more than the *mere depositions* of a few individuals, in support of the allegations of the husband, with the particulars of which, the reader must be totally unacquainted, and of course entirely at a

lois to understand the nature of the charges at large, which is the very ground work and support of the trial.

The Editor therefore trusts, that by having been able to procure, and by giving to the Public *verbatim*, the following articles, exhibited by *John Hankey*, Esquire, against Elizabeth his wife, which in such a publication ought to precede the depositions, but which was never before done, he shall render this trial both perfect and complete, and highly acceptable to the Public at large,

ARTICLES,

Exhibited by John Hankey, Esq. Son
of Sir Thomas Hankey, Knight, of
the City of London, against Eliza-
beth Hankey his wife, formerly
Elizabeth Thomson, Daughter of
Andrew Thomson, of the City of
London, Esq. for ADULTERY,
with TURNER STRAUBENZEE, Esq.
Lieutenant-colonel of the Fifty-
second Regiment of Foot:

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

Before you, the worshipful George Harris,
Doctor of Laws, Commissary General of
the Right Reverend Father in God,
Brownlow, by divine permission Lord
Bishop of Winchester, for the parts of
Surry, lawfully appointed your surro-

~~gate or some other competent judge in~~
 this behalf, the proctor of John Hankey,
 Esq. against Elizabeth Hankey, the wife
 of the said John Hankey, Esq. of the
 parish of Dorking, in the county of Surry,
 and Diocese of Winchester, and against
 any other person or persons lawfully ap-
 pearing or intervening for her in this be-
 half by way of complaint, and by com-
 plaining to you doth say, alledge, and in
 law articulately propound as follows; that
 is to say,

I. That in the months of July, August,
 and September, in the year of our Lord 1769,
 the said John Hankey, Esq. being a bachelor,
 and free from all matrimonial contracts or es-
 pousals, did make his addreses of love and
 courtship, in the way of marriage, to the said
 Elizabeth Hankey, then Elizabeth Thomson,
 daughter of Andrew Thomson, of the city of
 London, Esq. spinster, a minor under the age
 of twenty-one years, and also free from all
 matrimonial contracts or espousals, and she, the
 said Elizabeth Thomson, did receive such his
 addreses, and by and with the consent, and
 approbation of the said Andrew Thomson, her
 father,

father, agreed to be married to him, the said John Hankey; and this was and is true, public, and notorious, and so much is well known to the said Elizabeth Hankey; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound of any other time, place, person, or thing, and of every thing in these and the subsequent articles of this libel contained, jointly and severally.

H. That in pursuance of the agreement mentioned in the next preceding article they, the said John Hankey and Elizabeth Hankey, then Elizabeth Thomson, by the consent of the said Andrew Thomson, were in the month of September, in the year of our Lord 1769, lawfully joined together in holy matrimony, according to the rites and ceremonies of the church of England, by virtue of a licence first had and obtained for that purpose, in the parish church of St. Martin's Outwich, London, by the reverend Nicholas Fayting, clerk or priest, or minister in holy orders, and the rector of the said parish, or officiating as such, in the presence of Sir Thomas Hankey, Knight, the father of the said John Hankey, Peter Simond, and of the said Andrew Thomson, the father of her, the said Elizabeth Thomson, and others; and this was and is true, public, and notorious;

nious ; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

III. That, in supply of proof of the premises pleaded and set forth in the next preceding article, and to all other intents and purposes in law whatsoever, the party proponent doth exhibit and hereunto annex two papers, writing, marked No. 1 and 2, and prays that the same may be received and taken as part, and parcel hereof, as if herein read and inserted, and doth alledge and propound that marked No. 1, to be an extract from the registry of the consistory court of London, dated September 8, 1769, and to be a true copy of the warrant or affidavit, on obtaining the licence for the said *marriage* ; and that marked No. 2, to be an extract from the register of marriages, kept for the said parish of St. Martin's Outwich, and to have been duly extracted therefrom ; that the said two exhibits, do contain true copies of their respective originals, now remaining in the said registries ; and that every thing was had, and done as therein contained ; and that the said paper, marked No. 1, is duly signed by and with the proper hand writing of Mark Holman, deputy register of the said court, and that full faith and credit, is and ought

ought to be given thereto; and that John Hankey and Elizabeth Thomson, mentioned in the said two exhibits respectively, and John Hankey and Elizabeth Hankey, parties in this cause, were and are the same persons, and not divers; and Andrew Thomson, also mentioned in the said exhibits respectively, and Andrew Thomson, Esq. the natural and lawful father of the said Elizabeth Hankey, party in this cause, was and is likewise, one and the same person, and not divers; and this was and is true, public, and notorious; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

IV. That from and after the solemnization of the said marriage, they, the said John Hankey and Elizabeth Hankey, consummated the same, by carnal copulation and the procreation of children, and lived and cohabited together as man and wife, in divers places, particularly at his, the said John Hankey's houses, situate in Mincing Lane, in the city of London, and at Streatham, in the county of Surry; and had issue of their said marriage *four children*; and they so lived and cohabited together, till she, the said Elizabeth Hankey, *eloped* from and withdrew herself from the house and company

pany of her said husband, and his family, as hereinafter is more particularly mentioned; and for, and as lawful husband and wife, they constantly owned and acknowledged each other to be, and were commonly reputed, taken, and accounted to be, by, and amongst their relations, friends, neighbours, and acquaintance, and others; and this was and is true, public and notorious, and so much the said Elizabeth Hankey doth know and believe in her conscience to be true; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

V. That the said John Hankey was, and is a person, of a sober, modest, and virtuous disposition, and always behaved to, and treated the said Elizabeth Hankey, his wife, with the greatest tenderness and affection; and for, and as a person of a sober, modest, and virtuous disposition, he, the said John Hankey, was, and is commonly accounted, reputed, and esteemed to be, by and amongst his neighbours, friends, and acquaintance; and this was, and is true, public and notorious; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

VI. That the said Elizabeth Hankey, not having the fear of God before her eyes, and being wholly unmindful of her conjugal vow,
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and the duty she owed to her said husband, did contract and carry on an adulterous connection and acquaintance with Turner Straubenzee, Esq. Lieutenant-colonel of his Majesty's fifty-second regiment of foot; and they, the said Elizabeth Hankey and Turner Straubenzee, frequently had the carnal use and knowledge of each other's body, and thereby committed the crime of adultery together, as herein after is more particularly mentioned; and this was, and is true, public and notorious; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

VII. That some time in the month of October, 1781, the said Elizabeth Hankey went to Brighthelmstone, in the county of Suffex, on account of her health, and resided there from the said month of October, till the end of the month of January following, in a ready furnished house; that he, the said John Hankey, being confined in town with the gout, and much engaged by his business of a merchant, had no opportunity of being with his said wife at Brighthelmstone aforesaid, but during the last Christmas holidays; and this was, and is true, public and notorious; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

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lib VIII. That during the time she, the said Elizabeth Hankey, so resided at Brighthelmstone, she became very intimately acquainted with the said Turner Straubenzee, Esq. who, on account of his regiment being at, or in the neighbourhood of Brighthelmstone aforesaid, was frequently there; and she, the said Elizabeth Hankey, taking advantage of the necessary absence of the said John Hankey, *invited* him, the said Turner Straubenzee, home to her house, situate at Brighthelmstone aforesaid, where he frequently was *two* or *three* days and *nights* together, eating, drinking, and sleeping there; and they appeared to be, and were upon the most intimate footing together; and this was, and is true, public and notorious; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

IX. That finding themselves under too great a restraint to carry on the adulterous intercourse, which they had formed in the said house at Brighthelmstone, they, the said Elizabeth Hankey and Turner Straubenzee, came to a resolution, that the said Elizabeth Hankey should *elope* from, and totally leave her said husband and family, and put herself entirely under the care and protection of him, the said Turner Strau-

Straubenzee, which was very soon after effected, and put into practice; and this was, and is true, public and notorious; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

X. That in pursuance of the plan mentioned in the next preceding article, and to further her adulterous connection, she, the said Elizabeth Hankey, on or about the 20th day of the said month of January last, entirely, without the knowledge of her said husband, left the said house at Brighthelmstone aforesaid, taking with her all her clothes, jewels, and other things; and being met upon the road by the said Turner Straubenzee, by whose assistance her clothes and other things had been removed, they went together to lodgings, which had been before taken by, or by the orders and directions of the said Turner Straubenzee, at the house of John Wicks, a fisherman, at Worthing, in the county of Sussex; where they, the said Elizabeth Hankey and Turner Straubenzee, lived and cohabited together at bed and board, and as man and wife, for the space of three weeks; or thereabouts, and constantly, during the said time, lay together naked and alone, in one and the *same*

bed, and frequently had the carnal use and knowledge of each other's body, and committed the crime of adultery together ; and this was, and is true, public and notorious ; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

XI. That on or about the 20th day of February last, they, the said Elizabeth Hankey and Turner Straubenzee, removed from their said lodgings at Worthing aforesaid, to Dorking, in the county of Surrey, (his, the said Turner Straubenzee's regiment being then quartered there); that upon their arrival at Dorking, they went together to a public inn, known by the sign of the King's-Head, where they continued for about a week ; and during the said time passed for, and lived, and cohabited together at bed and board, as man and wife ; and constantly lay naked and alone in one and the same bed, and had the carnal use and knowledge of each other's body, and thereby committed the crime of adultery together ; and this was, and is true, public and notorious ; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

XII. That after living at the said inn, for about a week, they, the said Elizabeth Hankey
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and Turner Straubenzee, removed to lodgings at the house of Mr. Mills, situate in the said town of Dorking; where they have ever since, and now live and cohabit together at bed and board, and as man and wife; and constantly lay naked and alone in one and the same bed, and frequently have the carnal use and knowledge of each other's body; and live in the continual commission of adultery together; and this was, and is true, public and notorious; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

XIII. That since the adulterous conduct and behaviour of the said Elizabeth Hankey hath come to the knowledge of the said John Hankey, her husband, he hath not lived and cohabited with her, or had the carnal use and knowledge of her body; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

XIV. That of and concerning the premises, it hath been rightly and duly complained to you, the Comissary aforesaid, and to this Court; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

XV. That the said Elizabeth Hankey was, and is of the parish of Dorking, in the county of Surry, and diocese of Winchester, by reason
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whereof, and of the premises herein contained, and was, and is subject to the jurisdiction of this Court ; and the party proponent doth alledge and propound as before.

XVI. That all and singular the premises, were and are true, public and notorious ; and thereof there was and is a public voice, fame, and report, of which legal proof being made, the party proponent prays right and justice to be effectually done and administered to him, and his party in the premises ; that the said John Hankey, Esq. may be divorced from bed and board, and mutual cohabition, to and with the said Elizabeth Hankey, his wife, by reason of the adultery so by her committed as aforesaid, by you, and your definitive sentence, to be read and promulged, or given in this business ; and that further may be done and decreed in the premises, as shall be just and lawful ; the party proponent not obliging himself to prove all and singular the premises, or to the burthen of a superfluous proof, against which he protests, but prays that so far as he shall prove the premises, he may obtain in this his petition, the benefit of the law, being always preserved, humbly imploring the aid of your office in this behalf.

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D E P O S I T I O N S.

J U N E 24, 1782.

Hankey against Hankey.

On the libel given by Jenner, bearing date the fourth Session of Easter Term; to wit, Wednesday, May 15, 1782.

J O H N M O R L O Y, of Dorking, in the county of Surry, Innholder, aged thirty-six years, a witness, produced and sworn.

To the eleventh and twelfth articles of the said libel, he deposes and says, that he now is, and for about three years last past, hath been master of the inn, known by the sign of the King's-Head, situate at Dorking aforesaid. That he *well knows* the articulate Turner Straubenzee, Esq. Lieutenant-colonel of his Majesty's fifty-second regiment of foot; and first came to know him by the said regiment being quartered at Dorking, and his coming backwards and forwards. And saith, that
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DEPOSITIONS.

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JOHAN MORLOY, of Dorking, in the county of Surry, Innholder, aged thirty-six years, a witness, produced and sworn.

To the eleventh and twelfth articles of the said libel, he deposes and says, that he now is, and for about three years last past, hath been master of the inn, known by the sign of the King's-Head, situate at Dorking aforesaid. That he *well knows* the articulate Turner Straubenzee, Esq. Lieutenant-colonel of his Majesty's fifty-second regiment of foot; and first came to know him by the said regiment being quartered at Dorking, and his coming backwards and forwards. And saith, that
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on the 20th of February last, Colonel Strauben-
zee's servant, who was called Edward,
came to this deponent's house, and bespoke
a *bed room* and a *sitting room*, for the Colonel
and his Lady; and sometime in the evening
a lady and her maid arrived in a post-chaise,
and were shewn into the room bespoke by such
servant; and some short time afterwards, Co-
lonel Strauben-zee arrived, and supped with
the said lady; and they retired, as this de-
ponent verily believes, and is convinced, to
the bed room bespoke for them, as afore-
said; and they continued at this deponent's
house from the 20th to the 24th day of the
said month of February, when they left this
deponent's house, and removed to lodgings at
the house of Mr. Hills, a tanner, at Dorking.
That during the whole time they continued
at this deponent's house, they breakfasted,
dined, drank tea, and supped together, and
seemed in all respects as man and wife; and as
he verily believes, and is convinced lay in
one and the same bed, by reason that there
was no other bed in the deponent's house for
the Colonel or the Lady to sleep in; that
they continued to live together at Mr. Hills,
till within this last six weeks, when they left

the town, and the deponent hath not seen them since.

That while they continued at the deponent's house, they borrowed some books to read of this deponent; and when they were gone, the deponent, in looking over the books, found one that did not belong to him, and looking into it, he saw the name of "Elizabeth Hankey" written therein, from which circumstance, and from what he hath otherwise heard, he doth verily believe, that such lady who came to his house, and staid with Colonel Straubenzee, as before mentioned, is Elizabeth Hankey, wife of John Hankey, Esq. party in this cause; and further he cannot depose to the said articles.

JOSEPH MORLOY.

November 27, 1782.

Repeated and acknowledged before

Dr. DUCAREL, Surrogate.

ELIZABETH BRETT, of Dorking, in the County of Surry, spinster, aged eighteen years, a witness, produced and sworn.

To the eleventh and twelfth articles of the said libel, she deposes and says, that she is
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chamber-maid at the King's Head inn, situate at Dorking in the county of Surry; that she knows Colonel Straubenzee of the fifty-second regiment of foot, and came to know him by the said regiment being quartered at Dorking for the last six or seven months, and by the said inn being made, during part of such time, the head-quarters. That on or about the twentieth day of February last, Colonel Straubenzee's servant, whom the deponent well knew, and who is called Edward, came to the said inn, and desired the deponent to shew him one of the best beds for the Colonel and his wife; which the deponent did; and some time in the evening, a lady with a maid servant arrived in a post-chaise, as Colonel Straubenzee's lady, and this deponent shewed her the bed-room she had provided for her; and the Colonel and the lady's things were taken from the post-chaise and put there. That Colonel Straubenzee arrived the same evening, but whether before or after the lady she cannot recollect; that they supped as she believes together, and after supper this deponent attended the lady to such bed-room, with a pan of coals; and the lady being entirely undressed, all but her bed-gown, and
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got into bed, she desired this deponent to go and tell Colonel Straubenzee the room was at liberty; which the deponent accordingly did; and shewed him up stairs to such bed-room, and saw him go into the same, and heard him lock the door after him. That the deponent the next morning, about seven, went to light a fire in the said room, and having rapped at the door, was desired to come in, and the said Colonel Straubenzee was then in bed with such lady; and the deponent having lighted the fire, left them in bed together; and she further saith, that the said Colonel Straubenzee, and the said lady, continued at the said house from the twentieth, to the twenty-fourth day of the said month of February, being four nights in the whole; and during such time they lived and cohabited together, in bed and board, as man and wife, and constantly lay naked and alone in one and the same bed. And the deponent well knowing, by reason that the second and third night's that they slept at the said inn, she went as before into their bed-room, to light the fire in the morning; at each of which times she looked, and saw the said Colonel Straubenzee, and the said lady in bed together, both un-

dressed, as this deponent saw their cloaths lying by the bed side; and one morning at another time, she went in the said bed-room to give the Colonel his morning gown, and he was dressing himself, and the said lady was then in bed in the same room; and from what she hath before deposed, she doth verily believe they had the *carnal use* and *knowledge* of each others bodies; and from the said inn they removed to lodgings, at the house of Mr. Hills, a tanner, at Dorking aforesaid; where they continued to live, till within the last six or seven weeks, and further she cannot depose, save that from what she has heard, she doth believe that such lady was not the wife of Colonel Straubenzee, but the wife of another gentleman.

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ELIZABETH BRETT.

November 27, 1782.

Repeated and acknowledged before

Dr. DUCAREL, Surrogate.

RICHARD

June 25, 1782.

RICHARD HILL of Dorking, in the county of Surry, tanner, aged twenty-three years, a witness, produced and sworn.

To the eleventh and twelfth articles of the said libel, he deposes and says, that he well knows the articulate Turner Straubenzee, Esq. Lieutenant of the fifty-second regiment of foot, and came to know him some time in the month of February last, by his being quartered with the said regiment at Dorking, and lodging for several weeks at this deponent's house, at Dorking aforesaid. That about a fortnight previous to his coming to lodge at the said deponent's house, Mr. Dunning, surgeon to the said regiment, applied to this deponent for lodgings for the said Colonel Straubenzee, but not informing him what family he had, they came to no agreement. That some few days afterwards, Colonel Straubenzee himself came and looked at the said lodgings, but not agreeing about price, with said deponent, he went away, but a short time afterwards he sent for the deponent at the King's Head Inn, at Dorking, and the deponent found a lady with him, and he then first informed the deponent, that the lodgings were for himself and lady,
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meaning the said lady. That they did not then agree about price, and the deponent waited upon them a second time at the King's Head; and at last engaging with the deponent, they on or about the twenty-fourth day of the said month of February, came into the said lodgings, providing their own furniture, and continued in the same till on or about the sixteenth of May last, when they left the deponent's house, and he hath not seen them since. That during all the time they so lodged at the deponent's house, they lived and cohabited together as man and wife, and were treated as such by their servants and others; and the deponent, in conversation with Colonel Straubenzee, when speaking of the said lady, always called her *Mrs. Straubenzee*, which he never contradicted, and the deponent has frequently seen them arm in arm together; and the deponent has not a doubt upon his mind, but that they lived in all respects as man and wife; and further he cannot depose to the said articles.

RICHARD HILLS,

June 26, 1782.

Repeated and acknowledged before

Dr. DUCAREL, Surrogate.

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June 26, 1782.

FREDERICK HOHN, cook to his Majesty's fifty-second Regiment of Foot, now lying at Dorking in the county of Surry, aged about fifty years, a witness, produced and sworn.

To the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth articles of the said libel, deposes and says, that for about a twelvemonth last past, he has been employed as cook to his Majesty's fifty-second regiment of foot, and well knows the articulate Turner Straubenzee, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel thereof. That part of the said regiment, in the depth of last winter, lay at Horsham in Suffex, and removed from thence to Dorking in Surry, sometime in the month of February last. That about a month previous to such removal, Colonel Straubenzee informed the deponent, he had taking lodgings at Worthing, a small village in Suffex, by the sea side, and that as the mess was breaking up at Horsham, he told the deponent he might come and live with him, the time he should stay at Worthing, which the deponent agreed to do; and some short time afterwards, this deponent attended the said Colonel Straubenzee

zee at such place, at the house of one Wicks, a fisherman, and continued to live with him, during the whole of his stay there, which was in all about a month, and the Colonel then left the same, and went and joined his regiment at Dorking; and saith that Colonel Straubenzee had not been at his said lodgings above three or four days, when a lady, till then an entire stranger to the deponent, arrived in a post-chaise, as the lady of the said Colonel Straubenzee, and from that time, continued to live and cohabit with him as his wife, though the deponent did not look upon her as such, but only as a lady of *pleasure*. That after staying at the said lodgings about a month, they, the said Colonel Straubenzee, and the said lady left the same and went to Horsham, the lady with her maid, by name Mary Winton, in a post-chaise, and the Colonel on horseback; and from thence in the same manner they proceeded to Dorking, and put up at the King's Head inn, and continued there about three days, and from thence they removed to lodgings at the house of Mr. Hills, a tanner, situate in Dorking aforesaid, where this deponent attended them, and where they continued till some time on or about the

middle of the month of May last, in all about three months, when they left Dorking, and the deponent hath not seen them since. That, as well the time they staid at the said inn, as during the whole time they continued at Mr. Hills', they lived and cohabited together like man and wife, in all respects, and the said lady appeared to the deponent to be big with child ; and farther to the said articles he cannot depose.

FREDERICK HOHN.

June 27, 1782.

Repeated and acknowledged before

Dr. DUCAREL, Surrogate.

MARY WINTON, of Lewes, in the county of Sussex, spinster, aged twenty-one years, a witness, produced and sworn.

TO the tenth, eleventh, twelfth, and thirteenth articles of the said libel, she deposes and says, that on or about the 6th day of February last, she went to live as lady's maid, with a lady then in lodgings, at the house of the articulate John Wick's, a fisherman, whom the deponent well knew, at a village called Worthing, in Sussex, aforesaid, and continued to

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live in her service in such station, till on or about the sixth of April following. That a gentleman, whom she well knows to be the articulate Colonel Straubenzee, then lived with such lady, as her husband, at the aforefaid lodgings; and she farther saith, that the said Colonel Straubenzee, and the said lady, continued to live and cohabit together at the house of the said John Wicks, for about a fortnight after the deponent so went to live with them, and they constantly during all that time lay together, naked and alone, in one and the same bed; this deponent well knowing, it being her constant custom to attend the said lady at night in her bed-chamber, until she was undressed and in bed, and frequently before the deponent had left the room, the Colonel has come in, and began to undress himself; and it was also the deponent's constant custom every morning before the lady was risen, to take her basin of tea, and upon those occasions, the deponent used almost constantly to find the Colonel in bed with her. And she farther saith, at the expiration of a fortnight or thereabouts, the said Colonel Straubenzee, and the said lady removed from their said lodgings at Worthing, to Dorking, in the county of Surry, where the said Colonel Straubenzee's

benzee's regiment was then quartered, which was the fifty-second regiment of foot; and upon their arrival at Dorking, they put up at the King's Head inn there, and continued to live at such inn, about three or four days, until they could obtain lodgings in Dorking; and during that time they passed for, and lived and cohabited together at bed and board, as man and wife, and constantly lay naked and alone in one and the same bed; this deponent well knowing by reason that she attended the said lady every night to undress her, when she retired to bed, and the Colonel for the most part, came into the room, and began undressing himself before the deponent left it, and also that in the morning she used to carry the said lady a basin of tea, before she and the Colonel were risen, and upon those occasions, as well as at other times, the deponent has seen them in bed together; and she farther saith, that after living at the said inn about three days, the said Colonel Straubenzee, and the said lady removed to lodgings at the house of Mr. Hills, a tanner, situate in Dorking, aforesaid, where they continued to live and cohabit together, for about the space of two months, and they then came to town, and went to Osborne's hotel in the Adelphi; and the de-

ponent, the next day, or the day after quitted their service; and faith, that during all that time they continued at the house of the said Mr. Hills, they constantly (except one night that the Colonel staid out) lay naked and alone in one and the same bed, this deponent well knowing by reason, that every morning when she went to carry the said lady a basin of tea, as was her constant custom, she almost constantly saw them in bed together, and frequently at nights when they had retired to bed, this deponent hath been in the room, and seen them in bed together; and this deponent doth verily and in her conscience believe, they very frequently during the time she continued to live with them in their service, were connected together in the same manner in all respects as men and wives are; and she lastly faith, that she now verily believes the said lady to be wife of John Hankey, Esq. the producent, and not the wife of Colonel Straubenzee, by reason, that she, the deponent on or about the month of June last, was examined at Guildhall, London, as a witness on behalf of the said Mr. Hankey, in a cause brought by him against the said Colonel Straubenzee, on account of his criminal connexion with the wife of him, the said Mr. Hankey, and it then ap-
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peared by the evidence, of Captain Clewlow, who was also examined as a witness in the said cause, and who frequently visited the said Colonel Strubenzee, and the said lady, at the time the deponent lived with them, that such lady was the wife of the said Mr. Hankey, and a verdict, with *five hundred pounds* damages, was given against the said Colonel Straubenzee in such cause; and this deponent is farther confirmed in her belief by general report; and farther she cannot depose to the said articles, save the said lady at the time this deponent left her service, was very big with child.

MARY WINTON.

Nov 29, 1782,

Repeated and acknowledged before

DR. DUCAREL, Surrogate.

PETER DEAN, of Dorking, in the county of Surry, serving man, aged twenty-four years, a witness, produced and sworn.

TO the eleventh and twelfth articles of the said libel, he deposes and says, that he lived waiter at the King's Head inn, in Dorking, aforesaid, from about June, 1779, till some time
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in the month of October last, and well knows Colonel Straubenzee, of the fifty-second regiment of foot, and came to know him by his said regiment being quartered at Dorking aforesaid, during the last winter and spring, and the said inn being made the head quarters; and he farther saith, that some time in the month of February last, but more particularly he cannot recollect, a lady and her maid arrived in a post chaise, some time in the afternoon, and put up at the said inn; and immediately or soon after, Colonel Straubenzee came on horseback, and the deponent understood that such lady was Colonel Staubenzee's lady, and they supped together that evening, and at night, as the deponent verily, and in his conscience believes, slept in one and the same bed; and they continued at the said inn, about five or six days, until they could lodgings in Dorking; and during that time, they passed for, and lived and cohabited together as man and wife; and from that circumstance, and what the deponent hath heard from his fellow witness, Elizabeth Brett, who lived chamber maid at the said inn, he hath not a doubt but they slept together in one and the same bed; that after living at the said inn about five or six days, as before mentioned, they re-
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moved to lodgings, at the house of Mr. Hills, a tanner, situate in Dorking aforesaid, where they continued to live about two months, this deponent during that time occasionally seeing them at the house of the said Mr. Hills; and from whence they went to town, as the deponent hath heard and believes, and he hath not seen them since. That some short time before they left Dorking, it was reported that such lady was not the Colonel's lady, but the wife of another gentleman; and this deponent hath since heard, and verily believes, that the name of the said lady is Hankey, and that she is the wife of John Hankey, Esq. the producent in this cause; and farther he cannot depose.

PETER DEAN.

Nov. 29th, 1782,

Repeated and acknowledged before

DR. DUCAREL, Surrogate.

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GEORGE CLEWLOW, Esq. *Captain in his Majesty's fifty-second Regiment of Foot, now lying in Chatham barracks, in the county of Kent, aged twenty-three years, a witness, produced and sworn.*

TO the fourth article of the said libel, he deposes and says, that he well knows John Hankey, Esq. and Elizabeth Hankey, his wife, parties in this cause; and came to know them some time in the summer of the year 1780, by their coming to see the camp near Dartford in Kent, and being introduced to them by Captain Newton, belonging to the said fifty-second regiment, which then lay encamped at Dartford, who was well acquainted with them; that to the best of the deponent's recollection, they spent two days at the camp, and the deponent afterwards during the said summer, by their express invitation called upon them at their house, in Mincing Lane, London, and dined and spent the evening with them. That they then lived and cohabited together as man and wife, and as the deponent understood and believes, had *three children*, two of whom the deponent afterwards saw with Mrs. Hankey at Brighthelmstone, as is
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hereinafter mentioned, and for, and as husband and wife, they, the said Mr. and Mrs. Hankey were commonly reported, and taken to be, by their friends, acquaintance, and others ; and farther to the said article, he cannot depose, save that Mrs. Hankey withdrew herself from her said husband, as hereafter is more particularly deposed.

To the seventh and eighth articles of the said libel, he deposes and says, that some time about the latter end of November, one thousand seven hundred and eighty one, the articulate Turner Straubenzee, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel of the said regiment, and which then lay at Horsham in Suffex, asked the deponent to go with him to Brighthelmstone, at the same time telling him, that Mr. Hankey, with whom the deponent was acquainted, was there. That the acquaintance of the said Colonel Straubenzee with Mrs. Hankey, commenced, as the deponent believes, like his own, by her coming to the camp as before-mentioned. That this deponent and the said Colonel Straubenzee, accordingly went to Brighthelmstone, and the deponent made a stay there of about five days, during all which time, the Colonel and this deponent lodged in the *same house* with Mrs.

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Hankey, and constantly breakfasted, dined, and supped with her, and attended her to public places. That this deponent understood and verily believes Mr. Hankey was then in London. That Colonel Straubenzee and the said Mrs. Hankey appeared upon the most intimate footing together, and when the deponent left Brighthelmstone, the said Colonel Straubenzee did not accompany him, but continued, as the deponent verily believes, with Mrs. Hankey at Brighthelmstone, for several days after the deponent not seeing him at Horsham, till about a week afterwards; and he farther saith, that some little time after last Christmas, Colonel Straubenzee again asked the deponent to go with him to Brighthelmstone, and the deponent accordingly went with him, and they staid there a couple of days, and then returned to Horsham together, and they as before lodged in the *same house* with Mrs. Hankey, and breakfasted, dined, drank tea, and supped with her, and it was upon that occasion the deponent saw two of the said Mrs. Hankey's children; that Mr. Hankey was still, as the deponent understood and verily believes, in London, and farther to the said article he cannot depose.

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To the ninth and tenth articles of the said libel, he deposes and says, that some time in the month of January last past, Colonel Straubenzee, and this deponent being at Horsham, the Colonel informed him, that he was shortly going to take Mrs. Hankey off, and that he had taken a lodging for that purpose at Worthing, which this deponent saith is a small village, between ten and fifteen miles from Brighton, and he gave the deponent an invitation to come and see them there, that the Colonel shortly after left Horsham, and some time about the latter end of the said month of January, this deponent, in consequence of a letter of invitation from Colonel Straubenzee, went to Worthing, and found the said Colonel Straubenzee, and the said Mrs. Hankey in lodgings together, at the house of one Wicks, a fisherman, and this deponent made a stay with them of five or six days at the said house, during all which time, they, the said Mrs. Hankey and Colonel Straubenzee assumed the characters of man and wife, and lived and cohabited together as such; and this deponent during his stay there, addressed the said Mrs. Hankey as Mrs. Staubenzee, the wife of him, the said Colonel Straubenzee, and this deponent has not

a doubt, but that they, during all that period of time, lay together in one and the same bed, and *committed adultery* together; and farther he cannot depose to the said article, save that during the stay of the said Mrs. Hankey, and Colonel Straubenzee at Worthing aforesaid, which was in all, as this deponent believes, about three weeks; this deponent twice afterwards called upon them, and made a short stay with them, and they lived together as before set forth.

To the eleventh, twelfth, and thirteenth articles of the said libel, he deposes and says, that when the said Colonel Straubenzee and Mrs. Hankey left Worthing, which to the best of this deponent's recollection and belief, was some time on or about the 20th day of February last, this deponent attended them as far as Horsham, and they went on to Dorking, in Surrey, where part of the fifty-second regiment was then quartered; that some time about the beginning of march, this deponent with two companies belonging to the said regiment, marched from Horsham to Dorking, where the deponent found the said Colonel Straubenzee and Mrs. Hankey, in lodgings, at the house of one Mr. Hills, where they continued to live till about
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three months afterwards, and then they left Dorking; and the deponent did not see them again till some months afterwards. That the deponent frequently visited them during their stay at Dorking; and during all that time they lived as *man* and *wife*, and Mrs. Hankey went, and was addressed by the name of Mrs. Straubenzee. That some time about the middle of October last, the deponent saw Colonel Straubenzee at Sheerness, in Kent, where part of the said regiment was then encamped; and upon the deponent enquiring after Mrs. Straubenzee, but meaning Mrs. Hankey, he informed the deponent, that she was at Chatham barracks; that some time, or near about the 10th day of November last, this deponent, with part of the said regiment, marched from Sheerness to Chatham barracks, where this deponent found the said Mrs. Hankey; and she, and the said Colonel Straubenzee, then lived and cohabited, and still continued to live and cohabit together, in the apartments of him, the said Colonel Straubenzee, in Chatham barracks, aforesaid, as man and wife in all respects, and lived in the continual commission of adultery, as this deponent doth verily believe; and this deponent

ponent doth also verily believe, that Mr. Hankey, the husband of the said Mrs. Hankey, hath not lived or cohabited with her since her connection with the said Colonel Straubenzee, as before deposed; to and farther to the said articles he cannot depose.

GEORGE CLEWLOW.

December, 10, 1782.

Repeated and acknowledged before

Dr. MACHAM, Surrogate.

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